(b) how far it succeeded to focus the question of market access for Indian products covering Generalised System of Preferences (GSP), Multi-Fibre Agreement (MFA) and anti-dumping trade promotion programme and new perspectives in co-operation including industrial co-operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). In Indo-EC Joint Commission held in New Delhi on 13th and 14th November, 1991 reviewed the progress in the field of economic cooperation, relating to rade promotion programmes, standards, quality testing and certification, setting up of the Technology Information Centre and the Joint Business Forum besides examining the ongoing activities for business to business cooperation into he sectors of industrial design, machine tools, medical and surgical equipment etc. Indo-EC collaborations in the area of energy, electronics, telecommunications, science and technology and dairy development (Operation Flood) were also reviewed and potential areas for possible future cooperation such as tourism, fisheries and environment identified. The Joint Commission also discussed the implications, the facilities of the EC International Investment Partner Scheme for promoting foreign direct investment in India.

. During deliberations of the Joint Commission, the Indian Government reiterated its concern with market access and raised the issue of additional product coverage and improvement in the EC GSP Scheme. The question of rules of origin affecting India's exports and the nned for exclusion of small suppliers from anti dumping action and establishment of an effective consultative mechanism before commencement of anti dumping proceeding was also highlighted by the Indian side. In addition, enhancement into he bilateral quota for 1992 for exports of textile products under the extended Multi Fibre Agreement protocol was also emphasised. The European Community took note of India's concern.

[*Translation*]

Construction of Bridge on National Highway No. 3 near Chhonda

3767. SHRI BARELAL JATAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 7044 on September 13, 1991 and state:

(a) whether the technical details for construction of new bridge across the river on national Highway No. 3 near Chhonda in Morena district have since been finalised;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the construction work is likely to be started; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay in finalising the technical details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Full information/data for finalising technical details are awaited from the State Government.

[*English*]

Overdues and depreciation on Government investment for Nationalised Banks

3768. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the total amount of overdues and depreciation on the Government investment for all nationalised banks during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): As reported by Reserve Bank of India, the total outstanding, total overdues and percentage of overdues to outstanding of Nationalised banks as on March 21989, March 1990 and September 1990 (latest available) is as under:

(Rs. in Crores)

	March '89	*March '90*	*September '90*
Total Outstanding	52896.69	63970.99	63646.48
Total Overdues	9067.69	10961.45	11612.06
% of overdues to Outstandings	17.1%	17.1%	18.2%

So far as amounts of depreciation on the Government investments is concerned, in accordance with the practices and usages cutomary among banks and the statutes, governing the public sector banks, such information is not divulged.

Trade Fairs

3769. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trade fairs organised in the country and abroad alongwith the names of the places where these fairs were organised during the last three years;

(b) the main items displayed in these fairs for publicity;

(c) the prime objective for holding such fairs;

(d) the expenditure incurred thereon and the benefits acred as a result thereof during the above period;

(e) whether there is any proposal to expand the scope of the trade fairs; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED):

(a) *In India*	*Abroad*
1986-6	1988-89 - 40
1990-6	1989-90 - 44
1991-9	1990-91 - 38

Details of names and places of the fairs held are given in the attached statement I to III (fairs abroad) and statement IV (fairs in India).

(b) (A) INDIA:

The items displayed at these fairs covered a very wide range. In India International Trade Fair, all product categories, machineries and technologies starting from consumer goods to capital goods machinery and equipment including raw materials is displayed. In AHARA Fair, allfood products, food processing machinery and equipment, hotel and restaurant equipment and supplies are displayed. In INDIA PACK ail types of printing and packaging machinery and equipment and supplies are displayed. In Leather Fair, all items relevant with leather including